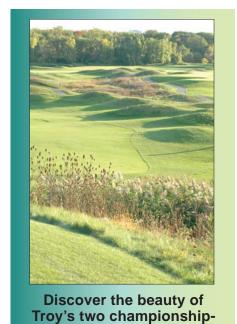
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#### **Message from the City Manager**

Dear Residents.

As we reluctantly wave good bye to summer, we continue to be very thankful for all the wonderful programs & facilities we can take advantage of in Troy all year round. We as residents of Troy are very fortunate to live in one of the highest rated communities for our service, economy, public safety, schools and trained workforce. Our quality of life is second to none.

We love to boast to our neighboring communities that Troy is the safest city in Michigan. Our Troy Public Library, Fire Department, Parks & Recreation and Public Works Departments offer outstanding services to our residents.

During these tough economic times, we continue to hold the line on spending and partner with our business community to sponsor great activities and programs. With the rising gas prices, we make it fun to stay in Troy with our variety of special events all year round. Our Music, Movies & Moonlight sponsored by Flagstar Bank offered music and big screen movies at Boulan Park. The Columbia Center is our corporate partner for the Jazz on the Corridor Concert series with fantastic live music as well as the new Car Show Troy Traffic Jam. Troy saw some great classic cars as a preview to the Woodward Dream Cruise.

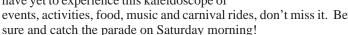
Summer always seems to fly by, but there's still time to enjoy Troy's wonderful amenities and celebrate life in Troy. Before summer slips away, visit the Family Aquatic Center, which is only open through Labor Day. Swim and splash the hot August days away!

If you love golf, the beautiful Sanctuary Lake Golf Course is a golfer's paradise. It's a gem that will serve residents for generations to come. Open for play throughout the end of fall, this links style course will provide a challenging but pleasurable golfing experience. Enjoy!

Take the family on a picnic at one of our beautiful parks such as Boulan, Jaycee, Raintree, or Firefighters. Visit our exceptional

Museum and Nature Center where staff plan outstanding programs all year round. The Museum provides an excellent backdrop for weddings and picnics and for a really unique experience at the Nature Center, why not take advantage of the birthday party package for your children?

Our dedicated staff and volunteers are already gearing up for our annual Troy Daze Festival (Sept 17-20 at Boulan Park). If you have yet to experience this kaleidoscope of



The Annual Fire Open House is Sunday, October 4. Bring the kids, meet the dedicated firefighters and climb on the fire trucks.

So what are you waiting for? Learn about what Troy has to offer you and your family and get involved! Help us celebrate Troy as an outstanding place to live, work, learn, play and raise a family!

And always remember, your input is important to us. Please feel free to contact Cindy Stewart, Community Affairs Director at 248.524.1147 or cindy.stewart@troymi.gov with your comments.

Very Truly Yours,

John Szerlag, Troy City Manager

### **City Directory**

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Animal Control (Police Dept)	248.524.3477
Assessing Dept	
Board & Commission Information	
Building Inspection	248.524.3344
City Clerk	248.524.3316
City Manager	248.524.3330
Community Affairs	
Emergencies	911
Engineering	248.524.3383
Fire (non-emergency)	248.524.3419
Human Resources	248.524.3339
Police (non-emergency)	
Public Works	
Recycling / Solid Waste	248.524.3399
Senior Citizens	
Treasurer	
Water & Sewer Services	248.524.3370
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Robin Beltramini, Councilwoman	
Cristina Broomfield, Councilwoman.	
David Eisenbacher, Councilman	
Wade Fleming, Councilman	
Martin Howrylak, Mayor Pro Tem	
Mary Kerwin, Councilwoman	248.879.7909

Troy Public Library	
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Circulation	248.524.3538
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Family Aquatic Center	
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Sanctuary Lake Golf Course	
Senior Citizens	
Stage Nature Center	248.524.3567
Sylvan Glen Golf Course	
Troy Community Center	
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Administration Building	248.823.4000
Adult & Community Education	
Other Recreation Organizations	
Baseball Boosters	248.689.6390
Boys & Girls Club of Troy	
Poseidon Swim Club	248.822.7112
Racquet Club	248.528.3400
Youth Football	
Youth Soccer League	248.524.0170

Citizen's Academy

#### CITIZENS ACADEMY APPLICATION

Name:
Address: Zip:
Home Phone:
e-mail:
Employment:
Work Address:
Work Phone:
I am a resident of the City of Troy: Yes No
How long have you been a Troy resident?
State why you are interested in participating in the Troy Citizens Academy.
2. Have you had any prior experience in City government, such as serving on a Board or Committee?  Yes No If yes, describe:
3. Can you attend classes on Wednesdays, 5:30-9 pm, Sept. 23, 30 Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28, & Nov. 4, 11, 18 and City Council Meeting on Nov. 23 Yes No
4. Please describe your present and past community involvement, (i.e. voluntary, social, business and professional), and the scope of you responsibilities.

Class size is limited. Applicants must commit to all sessions. Participants must mail a \$25 check along with the application. The fee helps cover costs for the program, including providing dinner during the sessions and class materials.

Mail form and check (made payable to City of Troy) to: C. Stewart, Community Affairs Dept., 500 W. Big Beaver, Troy MI 48084 or Fax to 248.524.3499

#### **See What Past Participants Say About Citizen's Academy!**

"The program itself is excellent and I recommend it to everyone I talk to in Troy. It is an outstanding overview of the operation and management of our very fine city."

~ Bill, 32 Year Resident

"We have a new appreciation of the caliber, dedication, and continuing education of the people responsible for making our city one of the best in the country, Without a doubt the Citizens Academy is one of the best and most productive ways to educate and inspire good citizenship."

~ Chuck and Doreen, 53 Year Resident

"The City of Troy has reinforced how lucky we as citizens are and the great people that work hard everyday to make it this way. I have become more aware of the inner workings of Troy and find myself continuously comparing it to other cities in the metro area. I can't find another city in which I would rather live."

~ Rich, 10 Year Resident

# Troy Citizens Academy is accepting applications! Go behind the scenes to find out what it takes to run your City

Citizens Academy is accepting applications for Class XIV (Fall 2009). Get an inside look at the City of Troy operations. The nine sessions are held once a week, and cover the inner workings of City Departments. It includes Police, Fire, Planning, Information Technology, and much more. Graduates walk away with detailed knowledge of how and where their tax dollars are spent.

The class will get behind-the-scenes tours of facilities like the Public Works garage, Police Department, Museum, Fire Station, and Nature Center.

Class size is limited. Applicants must commit to all sessions. Participants also must mail a \$25 check along with the application. The fee helps cover costs for the program, including providing dinner during the sessions and class materials.

If you have any questions, please call Cindy Stewart at 248.524.1147.

#### Schedule of Classes

Applicants must be able to attend all scheduled classes.

- Wednesday Sept. 23, 5:30-9 pm
- Wednesday, Sept. 30, 5:30-9 pm
- Wednesday, Oct. 7, 5:30-9 pm
- Wednesday, Oct. 14, 5:30-9 pm
- Wednesday, Oct. 21, 5:30-9 pm
- Wednesday, Oct. 28, 5:30-9 pm
- Wednesday, Nov. 4, 5:30-9 pm
- Wednesday, Nov. 11, 5:30-9 pm
- Wednesday, Nov. 18, 5:30-9 pm
- Monday, Nov. 23, 6:30-8 pm (graduation)



City News 248.524.1147

### Property tax bills due

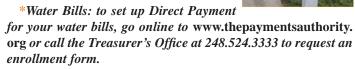
July property tax bills are payable through September 1, 2009 without interest or penalty. Be sure to read important payment information on the back of the tax bill. Persons eligible for deferment of summer taxes may request applications at the Treasurer's Office, 248.524.3333.

City Hall Office Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8 am-4:30 pm

**After Hours Drop Box:** Drop boxes are located outside the east and west entrances of City Hall.

#### **Property Tax Payment Options**

- 1) Credit Cards may be used online or over the phone via Official Payments Corp. A service charge does apply. Credit Cards MAY NOT be used in person at City Hall or by mail. Official Payments Corp. is set up only for paying property tax bills, not water\* or other service fees. To pay by phone, call 800.272.9829. Use the Jurisdiction Code 3255 when prompted. To pay online, go to www.officialpayments.com.
- 2) Mail a check with your payment coupon in the payment envelope (no service charge applies).
- 3) Pay in person at City Hall with a check at the Treasurer's Office on the second floor. You can also leave payment envelopes in one of the **drop boxes** conveniently located at the east (walk-up box) and west (drive-up box) entrances of City Hall, 500 W. Big Beaver.



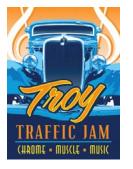


#### Where does your tax dollar go?

Please take a look at your property tax statement and see just where the money actually goes. The dollar bill shown above indicates that the City of Troy receives about 26.6 cents from every tax dollar and the Troy School District gets about the same. Oakland County receives 13 cents, State Education 17 cents, the Intermediate School District 10 cents, Oakland County Community College gets a nickel, and the S.M.A.R.T Transit District gets 2 cents.

When anyone invests money in any enterprise, they expect to receive a valid rate of return. So, when you invest 27 cents from each of your tax dollars, what do you get as a rate of return? The biggest return is that you live in the safest city in Michigan. You support a top-rated Fire Department, the second-highest-rated library in the state, and some of the finest parks anywhere.

### Troy Traffic Jam Classic Car Show



Sunday, August 9, 10 am-3 pm Columbia Center, 201 W. Big Beaver Free Admission

Classic cars of all eras before 1974; DJ Bob Steel playing oldies; and food from Achatz Handmade Pie Co., Gateway Deli, Insalata, Maggiano's and Rib City

Proceeds to benefit the Troy Historical Society Heritage Campaign

#### Do you own a classic car?

Register the "day of" to display your vehicle at the show. The \$15 fee includes a goody bag, trophies, and dash plaque. Call 248.524.1147.



CITY OF TROY

**DROP BOX** 

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The Columbia Center, 101 W. Big Beaver, has been the backdrop for some fabulous music on select **Thursdays** this summer. Don't miss the final concert on Thursday, August 13! Grab a bite to eat and listen to music from **6:30**-



**8:30 pm**. Bring lawn chairs or blankets and relax with friends as sweet music fills the air. Admission is free! Sponsored by the Troy DDA.

#### Thursday, August 13: The Pros Big Band

Well known in the Detroit area since the 60s, this 17-piece big band's repertoire includes classics and contemporary music from the big band era, including Harry James, Count Bassie, Tommy Dorsey and Glen Miller, and features vocalist Debbie Gary.

# Music, Movies & Moonlight Bank

Bring your lawn chairs and blankets to **Boulan Park** to enjoy a free evening of music, movies and moonlight!

A local band begins playing at 7 pm, with a feature film playing on a big-screen at dusk!

Concession sales benefit the Troy Community Coalition for the Prevention of Drug & Alcohol Abuse.

#### Saturday, August 22

#### Music: Mass Transit

Mass Transit, a seven-piece all-purpose band with more than 25 years of entertainment experience, plays Motown, rock 'n' roll, disco, R&B and swing.

#### Movie: Enchanted (PG)

The tale follows the beautiful princess Giselle (Amy Adams) as she is banished by an evil queen (Susan Sarandon) from her magical, musical animated land – and finds herself in the gritty reality of the streets of modern-day Manhattan.





#### Troy Daze Festival September 17-20 Boulan Park

The festival brings all the best Troy has to offer complete with carnival rides, entertainment, and fireworks. For food, try everything from Elephant Ears to authentic

Mediterranean cuisine. Plus, come to the park early for the **Waffle Breakfast** on Saturday and Sunday.

Entertainment features live bands, music, cultural performances, talent shows, and the exciting **Mr. Troy Contest**.

Be sure to check out the bands including Natalie Myziuk, Laith al-Saadi, Valerie Barrymore & Foundation of Funk, and Tom Butwin in the **Entertainment Tent**.

**Carnival rides** and **midway games** keep you spinning and twirling. When you need a break to get your feet back on the ground, discover friendly information booths.

Browse the works of our talented local artists in the **Student Art** and **Photography Tent**. Kids can create their own artwork at the **Kids Corner**.

Don't forget to vote for the **Cutest Infant & Toddler Contest.** Look for the photo display on the festival grounds. Slip your quarters (or dollars) into the box of your favorite candidates. Winners will be announced on Sunday.

Sunday, September 20 will provide the grand finale to Troy Daze with a blazing **Fireworks** display at dusk.

#### Sign up to volunteer

Troy Daze is looking for student and adult volunteers to help with special events and services. Volunteer opportunities include shuttle service (adults only), Student Art & Photography Tent, and Information Booth. Volunteer perks include t-shirts and food vouchers. Student volunteers can call Sandy Macknis at 248.362.2466. Adult volunteers, please call Jeff Super at 248.879.2974.

#### **Become a Troy Daze sponsor**

The upcoming festival, now in its 41st year, invites you to become part of a select group of businesses and individuals that have built stronger relationships with the Troy community and beyond as a result of their support.

Sponsors receive publicity and acknowledgments for their support via press releases, signage, publications, and more. The Festival has sponsor levels to meet your needs. We also welcome inkind donations and services as sponsorships. For more information, call Sponsorship Chair Cindy Stewart at 248.524.1147.



#### Thanks to all of the Troy Daze Sponsors

#### **Sponsor Level I**

Arnold Amusements
Genisys Credit Union
Health Plus of Michigan
Henry Ford Medical Center
Tringali Sanitation

#### **Sponsor Level II**

Beaumont, Troy
Comcast
ITC Holdings Corp.
MI Schools & Government Credit Union
Troy Fire Department
Troy Fire Explorers Post 911
Troy Police Explorers Post 1950

Sponsor Level III
Nino Salvaggio

#### Festival Entertainment

Tom Butwin Band – Saturday, Sept. 19, 6-7:15 pm

A local favorite, this band is sure to get you rocking. Butwin writes music and lyrics and plays several instruments. His band is comprised of very talented and accomplished young musicians that produce a high level of performance and sound.





**Natalie Myziuk** – Saturday, Sept. 19, 7:30 pm

Catch this young singer/songwriter as she entertains during the Mr. Troy Competition. She was the winner of the 2007 Troy Daze Talent Show (14-18 category), and is currently in the studio working on a CD of her own material.

Laith al-Saadi – Sunday, Sept. 20, 2:15 pm

This award-winning R & B guitarist and singer/songwriter continues to take the Detroit area by storm with his brand of gritty, soulful rockin' blues. Born and raised in Ann Arbor, this talented 30-year-old began singing at age 4 and playing guitar at 13.



#### Valerie Barrymore & Foundation of Funk

- Sunday, Sept. 20, 6:15-8:15 pm

Get down with some Motown music and blues tunes. The band was formed in 1999 and has been rolling along, picking up lots of acclaim. You are in for a special treat when Val and the band hit the stage.



### **Festival Contests**

For more information, rules or applications for Troy Daze contests, visit www.troymi.gov/troydaze.

#### Miss Troy Pageant -

Friday, August 21, Troy High. Doors open at 6 pm; pageant begins at 6:30 pm. General admission: \$7.

Troy girls and teens ages 5 and up (Little Miss, Pre-Teen Miss, Young Miss, Miss Troy Teen, and Miss Troy) will compete in



several competition areas, including interview, casual wear and evening wear.

#### Mr. Troy Competition – Saturday, Sept. 19, 7:30 pm

Guys (ages 17+) can compete for a chance to win cash and prizes. Entrants will be asked to wear casual and formal attire while answering questions relating to their hobbies, lifetime goals and achievements, and experiences living in Troy.



Cutest Infant/Toddler Contest – Awarded Sunday, Sept. 20, 5 pm

Proud parents can submit a photo of their child for a chance to win the coveted title of cutest infant or toddler! Photos will be on display before and during the festival and will allow for patrons to cast votes for the cutest kids. The top infants and toddlers will receive ribbons and trophies during the Troy Daze award ceremony. The deadline for entries is Thursday, Sept. 3, at

6 pm, or as soon as 80 entries are received.

#### Photography Contest – Awarded Sunday, Sept. 20, 5 pm

Amateur photographers are encouraged to enter in their age category – Youth (17 and under) or Adult (18 and up). There is no fee to enter the Photography Contest. Professional photographers will judge the entries, with prizes for the best photos. Winning entries will be on display at the Troy Public Library during the month of October. The deadline for entries is Thursday, September 3, 6 pm.

#### EthniCity Poster Contest – Awarded Sunday, Sept. 20, 5 pm

Sparking creativity among students, the EthniCity Poster Contests allows kids a chance to win cash prizes for creating posters that depict this year's theme "Embrace One Another

Together We Grow." Prizes will be awarded to the top three winners from each grade category (K-5, 6-8 and 9-12). The deadline for entries is Tuesday, September 8.



#### **Troy Daze Parking Passes Presale**

Passes are on sale now for \$6 at the Troy Community Center front desk and will be available for purchase there through Sept. 19. Parking passes at the gate are \$10. Passes are valid for the entire run of the festival.

#### **Festival Schedule**

#### Thursday, September 17

3-9 pm Festival Open to Public

#### Friday, September 18

9:30am-1pm Senior Sensation

4-10 pm Festival Open to Public 6 pm Opening Ceremonies / New

**Citizen Naturalization** 

7:30 pm Youth/Parent Contest

#### Saturday, September 19

9 am-10 pm Festival Open to Public

9 am-1 pm Waffle Breakfast 12-3 pm Talent Shows 7:30 pm Mr. Troy Contest

\* Ride Bracelets: All day riding for \$25

#### Sunday, September 20

9 am-10 pm Festival Open to Public

9 am-1 pm Waffle Breakfast

5 pm Awards 8:30 pm Fireworks

\* Ride Bracelets: All day riding for \$20

\* Mega Ride Bracelets: Good for entire Fesitival for \$50

#### Who to call for Troy Daze information:

Booth Applications - Bob Berk @ 248.980.3600

Corporate Sponsorship - Cindy Stewart @ 248.524.1147

Cutest Infant & Toddler Contest - Alison Miller @ 248.649.6686

Entertainment - Jeff Stewart @ 248.376.6570

EthniCity Poster Contest - Michelle Haight @ 248.740.9618

Miss Troy/Junior Miss Pageants - Danielle Cover @ 248.321.3974

Mr. Troy Contest - Cindy Stewart @ 248.524.3546

**Photography Contest -**

Senior Sensation - Carla Vaughan @ 248.524.3484

Shuttle Service Volunteers - Jeff Super @ 248.944.0867

Special Needs Adult Activities - Jeff Stewart @ 248.376.6570

Student Art Show - Cindy Stewart @ 248.524.1147

Student Volunteers - Sandy Macknis @ 248.362.2466

**Talent Shows** - Cindy @ 248.524.1147

Youth/Parent Contests - Danielle Numerosi @ 248.689.1687



# Tim Hortons Continues Growth in Michigan with First Store in Troy



Tim Hortons celebrated the opening of its new Troy restaurant on June 29, creating approximately 15-25 local jobs. Store Owners Maureen Finnigan and Erin Rotole have found the Troy Community most welcoming to their premium blend, 20-minute "Always Fresh" coffee, baked goods, healthy breakfast and lunch combos. Tim Hortons is the fourth largest publicly traded quick service restaurant chain in North America based on market capitalization, and the largest in Canada. Tim Hortons appeals to a broad range of consumer tastes, with a menu that includes coffee and donuts, premium coffees, flavored cappuccinos, specialty teas, home-style soups, fresh sandwiches and fresh baked goods. Tim Hortons has 2,917 restaurants in Canada and 520 in the United States.

3331 Rochester Rd., 248.740.8053 www.timhortons.com

#### Vista Park Grand Opening



On July 27, 2009, eTitle held a ribbon cutting ceremony for the grand opening of their new Vista Park. In constructing Vista Park, eTitle wanted to create a space that by its very nature would inspire employees, define

company values and show its commitment to the City of Troy, whose residents will be welcomed and encouraged to use the park. Directly adjacent to their building on W. Big Beaver Road, eTitle's new park was built on land previously used for a retention pond. The park still provides drainage, but also adds beautiful trees, shrubs, plants and flowers. A gazebo provides a place to eat or drink and can be used for team meetings; it was wired for electricity and provides a wireless Internet connection to support work outside. Large stones placed along a winding path add dimension while benches and seating along low walls provide places for rest and reflection.

Vista Park creates a space for exercise, recreation, community building and spiritual renewal through nature.

1650 W. Big Beaver

# Cosmetic Dentistry Institute Relocates to Troy

Cosmetic Dentistry Institute relocated to Troy in a 6,000-square-foot new office at 3415 Livernois. Led by the husband and wife team of Dr. Craig Goldin and Dr. Marcy Goldin, the Cosmetic Dentistry Institute offers cosmetic dentistry and all phases of general dentistry including cleanings, gum treatments, and root canals. They utilize IV, Oral and Nitrous Oxide sedation techniques. Personal attention is their trademark as they pride themselves in offering gentle, caring and compassionate treatment.

Cosmetic Dentistry Institute was named the winner of the nationally acclaimed Cosmetic Practice of the Year Award. Dr. Craig Goldin has also received multiple gold medals in the Smile Gallery Competition at the annual conference of the American Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry. Both the Cosmetic Practice of the Year Award and the Smile Gallery Competition Awards, recognize outstanding aesthetic results as well as superior clinical skills

3415 Livernois Road, 248.519.1919 www.thedesignersmile.com

# Troy-Based NEXTEP Systems Provides Touch-Screen Technology

NEXTEP systems is a Troy-based firm that provides customers with in the food service industry with touch-screen self-ordering systems and digital menu boards that are controlled by computer. The company is a leading developer of intuitive touch-screen ordering, digital menu boards and online ordering solutions for the food service industry. NEXTEP recently announced that it has grown more than 100 percent annually since its founding in 2004. The company's touch screen systems are in many local businesses, including Nino Salvaggio's, Randazzo Fresh Markets, Vince & Joe's, Papa Romano's, Mr. Pita, and Cottage Inn Pizza. They can even be found at Comerica Park, MotorCity Casino and several restuarants in the Detroit airport.

www.nextepsystems.com

#### Larco's Opens as Big Beaver Tavern

The Big Beaver Tavern is now open in the former Larco's Restaurant on Big Beaver Road. The Tavern features burgers and steaks, American classics, appetizers, specialty sandwiches, rollups, and a few of Larco's signature dishes. Customers can catch the best in sports and news on several HD TVs during lunch and dinner, and enjoy live entertainment, DJs and dancing during latenight hours. 645 E. Big Beaver Road 248.680.0066

#### **Looking to Relocate Your Business?**

Troy's Real Estate & Economic Development Department is here to assist in the site selection process. Using various development resources, staff can assist in preparing a list of potential industrial, office and commercial locations that meet your needs for a facility. Staff can arrange for tours of the facilities and introductions to the brokers representing the properties. If necessary, confidentiality of the project can be provided until the necessary time. Businesses can also take advantage of business development support services, including zoning and ordinance orientation, financing, business planning, and incentives. If you would like to discuss your business plan for growth in Troy, please call 248.524.3498.

#### **ABC Warehouse is Now Open**

ABC Warehouse recently moved into a larger facility on John R that accommodated their need for more space and improved technology. The new location includes a comprehensive



television display area featuring top name brands and flat panel options. The updated store design also showcases a kitchen demonstration area that is outfitted with fully operational appliances. It is designed so local chefs and cooking experts can share their passion for cooking by preparing recipes while using various features of the appliances.

637 John R Rd. www.abcwarehouse.com

# **Baluster Park Lands Nationwide Insurance** as Newest Tenant

New York-based Emmes Asset Management Company, LLC, a privately held real estate investment firm, announced Nationwide Insurance as the newest tenant at the Baluster Park in Troy.

www.balusterpark.com/baluster-park-properties.htm

#### **Beaumont, Troy's New Emergency Room Opens**

Beaumont Hospital almost tripled the size of its Emergency Center in a \$58 million expansion that opened in July. Board-certified emergency medicine physicians offer leading-edge care in all private rooms using the most advanced technology available. In 2008, Beaumont's Troy hospital logged 68,800 emergency visits in a facility designed to handle 50,000 patients a year. The 60,000-square-foot addition can accommodate about 90,000 patients annually. The new Emergency Center allows Beaumont to provide the highest quality care in very comfortable, private rooms, with diagnostic equipment immediately accessible so treatment decisions can be made quickly. The new Emergency Center uses a color-coded "team" concept, making navigation easier for patients and families and streamlining staff assignments. Outside, the Emergency Center features a separate entrance for ambulances so emergency vehicles do not interfere with private patient drop off or pick up.

44201 Dequindre Rd, 248.964.5000, www.beaumonthospitals.com

#### **Japanese Auto Supplier Leases Offices in Troy**

Mason Capitani Inc. is pleased to announce that Asian Corporation of America has secured new offices at the LSTC Building in Troy. The Troy offices will house the sales operations for the U.S. subsidiary of the Japanese-based company. 1740 W. Big Beaver Road

### **Global LT Receives 2009 Best of Troy Award**

For the second consecutive year, Global LT has been selected for the 2009 Best of Troy Award in the Translators & Interpreters category by the U.S. Local Business Association (USLBA). Global LT, headquartered in Troy, is a leading provider of language services, including translation solutions, language and cultural training and destination services. This year, Global LT is celebrating its 30th anniversary.

The USLBA "Best of Local Business" Award Program recognizes outstanding local businesses throughout the country. Each year, the USLBA identifies companies that they believe success in their local community and business category. These are local companies that enhance the positive image of small business through service to their customers and community.

www.global-lt.com

#### Salon Kristen Opens

Salon Kristen offers pamper packages everyone will enjoy for an affordable price. These packages are a great way to build friendships, and only five participants are needed to indulge in such a luxury.

4975 Livernois 248.528.0161

#### **Gateway Deli is Now Open**

Gateway Deli (30 years in business) opened a 2nd location in Troy, owned by Peter Berishaj and Robert Gucaj. Gateway Deli offers an extensive breakfast menu and prides itself in providing authentic deli-style sandwiches "piled sky high" served on a variety of homemade and deli-style breads. Also offered are gourmet dinners, hearty homemade soups and a large selection of healthy salads. Catering is also available. Check out the restaurant in the Sunset Plaza at Livernois and Long Lake.

91 E Long Lake Rd, 248.813.0096 www. deligateway.com

# Looking for commercial space?

Are you a business looking to locate within the City of Troy? Are you not sure where to start when searching for available properties? Troy's Real Estate & Economic Development Department is here to assist in the site selection process. Using various development resources, staff can assist in preparing a list of potential industrial, office and commercial locations that meet your needs for a facility. Staff can arrange for tours of the facilities and introductions to the brokers representing the properties. If necessary, confidentiality of the project can be provided until the necessary time.

Businesses can also take advantage of business development support services including zoning and ordinance orientation, financing, business planning and incentives. If you would like to discuss your business plan for growth in the City of Troy, please contact our Real Estate & Economic Development Department at 248.524.3498.

City Clerk 248.524.3317

### Passport application services available at City Hall



The Troy City Clerk's office serves as an official Passport Acceptance Agency and accepts applications from U.S. Citizens from 8 am-4 pm, Monday-Friday. Photo services are also available for a \$10 fee.

Applications for Passport Cards for land and sea crossings between the United States, Canada, Mexico, Bermuda and the Caribbean are now available. Further information regarding Passport Cards, the passport initiative requirement and passport

processing times can be obtained on the City website at www.troymi.gov or by contacting the City Clerk's office at 248.524.3316.

Required Documents			
Adults 18 & Older	Minors 16 & 17	Minors 14 & 15	Minors 13 & Younger
Passport Valid for 10 yrs.	Passport Valid for 10 yrs.	Passport Valid for 5 yrs.	Passport Valid for 5 yrs.
Proof of Citizenship	Proof of Citizenship	Proof of Citizenship	Proof of Citizenship
Certified birth certificate required unless <i>previous</i> passport is submitted	Certified birth certificate required unless <i>previous</i> passport is submitted	Certified birth certificate required and <i>previous</i> passport (if applicable)	Certified birth certificate required and previous passport (if applicable)
Proof of Identity	Proof of Identity	Proof of Identity	Proof of Identity
Applicant <b>MUST</b> be present	Applicant & <b>ONE</b> parent <b>MUST</b> be present	Applicant & BOTH parents MUST be present or ONE parent with notarized form	Applicant & BOTH parents MUST be present or ONE parent with notarized form

**Note:** Birth certificates executed by the Troy Clerk's office **CANNOT** be accepted.

#### **Passport Fees**

Important: Applicant MUST provide TWO separate forms of payment; one to the City of Troy and one to the U.S. Dept. of State

Adults 18 & Older and Minors 16 & 17 Minors 15 & Younger			& Younger		
City of Troy: \$25	US Dept. of State: \$75	City of Troy: \$25	US Dept. of State: \$60		
Photo: \$10		Photo: \$10			
Cash, check, money order or debit card accepted.	Check, money order or cashier's check accepted.	Cash, check, money order or debit card accepted.	Check, money order or cashier's check accepted.		
Payable to City of Troy: \$25 or \$35	Payable to U.S. Dept. of State: \$75	Payable to City of Troy: \$25 or \$35	Payable to U.S. Dept. of State: \$60		
Add	Additional Fees & Postage for EXPEDITED Services				
Postage Fee: \$17.50	Add'l Fee & Postage Fee: \$60+\$14.85	Postage Fee: \$17.50	Add'l Fee & Postage Fee: \$60+\$14.85		
Payable to City of Troy: \$41.50 or \$51.50	Payable to U.S. Dept. of State: \$149.85	Payable to City of Troy: \$41.50 or \$51.50	Payable to U.S. Dept. of State: \$134.85		

#### Passports for border crossings: Beat the crowd, apply today

Effective in June 2009, U.S. Citizens must present a valid U.S. Passport Book, U.S. Passport Card, or other travel document approved by the Department of Homeland Security when entering the United States from Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean and Bermuda at land border crossings or sea ports-of-entry.

First-time Applicants 16 years & older: Execution Fee: \$25 – Payable to: City of Troy Passport Card Fee: \$20 – Payable to: U.S. Dept. of State

Renewal Applicants 16 years & older: Execution Fee: N/A

Passport Card Fee: \$20 – Payable to: U.S. Dept. of State

Applicants 15 years & younger:

Execution Fee: \$25 – Payable to: City of Troy Passport Card Fee: \$10 – Payable to: U.S. Dept. of State

Photo Fee: \$10 for two required 2x2 photos

#### **Dog licenses**

Be a good neighbor and keep your dog safe by following these City ordinances.



Sebastian

- Remember to clean up after your dog in public areas.
- Be courteous and quiet your barking dog.
- Know where your dog is at all times. Animal Control Officers will pick up unleashed and unattended dogs.
- Dogs may be tethered during daylight hours for a period not to exceed four continuous hours.
- City of Troy dog licenses expire with the dog's rabies vaccination expiration. Provide proof of rabies immunization with every license renewal and when registering a new dog at six months of age or older. License fees are half off for neutered and spayed dogs.

A Dog License application is available online at the City's website, www.troymi.gov.

#### Are you registered?

To vote in *any* election, you **must be registered** at least 30 days before election day. For the Tues., Nov. 3 General Election, the deadline to register is Mon., Oct. 5, 2009.

Once registered, you are eligible to vote in all upcoming elections and you need not register again unless you move or change your name. Register at any Secretary of State Office in Michigan, the Library, or the City Clerk's office. If you register by mail, the first time you vote must be in person with picture ID.

#### How to apply for an Absent Voter's Ballot

- After completely filling out the application, sign and date it in the place designated. Your signature must appear on the application or you will not receive an absent voter ballot.
- 2) Deliver the application by one of the following methods:
- (a) Place the application in an envelope addressed to the City Clerk at 500 W. Big Beaver, Troy MI 48084 and mail it with the necessary postage.
- (b) Deliver the application in person to the office of the City Clerk, or drop off in one of the two drop boxes outside of City Hall's west and east entrances, or fax to 248.524.1770.
- (c) In either (a) or (b), a member of the immediate family of the voter including a father-in-law, mother-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, daughter-in-law, grandparent or grandchild or a person residing in the voter's household may mail or deliver the application to the clerk for the applicant.
- d) In the event an applicant cannot return the application in any of the above methods, the applicant may select any registered elector to return the application. The person returning the application must sign a Certificate of Authorized Registered Elector Returning Absent Voter Ballot Application (available from the City Clerk's office by calling 248.524.3316).

# COMPLETE ALL areas as required. SIGN and RETURN by USPS mail OR FAX to:

Tonni L. Bartholomew, City Clerk City of Troy 500 W. Big Beaver

500 W. Big Beaver FAX: 248-524-1770 Troy, MI 48084-5285 APPLICATION FOR ABSENT VOTER'S BALLOT ELECTION DATE: Tuesday, November 3, 2009

#### **IMPORTANT**:

DO NOT FORWARD BY E-MAIL. The voter's signature is required on the application to issue a ballot. SEE above for further instructions.

As a duly qualified and registered elector in the CITY OF TROY, County of OAKLAND, State of MICHIGAN, I hereby make application for an official ballot, to be voted by me at the election indicated above.

ENTER the name and address that you are currently registered under:	FOR CLE	RK'S USE ONLY
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Address:	Ballot #:	
	Returned:	
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(ZIP)	Clerk:	
I am 60 years of age or older. I am physically unable to attend the polls without the assistance of a lam an appointed precinct worker in a precinct other than the precil cannot attend the polls because of the tenets of my religion. I cannot attend the polls because I am confined to jail awaiting arraid expect to be absent from the community in which I am registered the polls are open on election day.	nct where I resid ignment or trial. for the entire tim	DATE OF BIRTH
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Signature of Absent	voter	Date

<u>NOTE</u>: Michigan Election law requires that AV Ballots be sent to your registered address unless you are hospitalized or at an address outside of your community. <u>COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING ONLY</u> if you want your ballot sent to an address outside your community other than your registered address, or to a hospital, or other institution.

<u>COMPLETE ONLY</u> IF YOU WANT YOUR BALLOT SENT TO AN ADDRESS OTHER THAN YOUR REGISTERED ADDRESS:						
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Fill in the informati if you want to l permanent absent You will automatic absent voter ballot without having to re	be put on the voter ballot list. cally receive an application form	Name:			Phone Number E-Mail Address	

#### **City Council Meetings**



Meetings

Mondays at 7:30 pm

August 17, 31

September 14, 28

October 5, 19

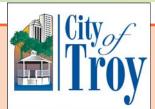
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Regular meetings take place in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 500 W. Big Beaver and are open to the public.

City Council meets at least two Mondays per month at 7:30 pm and schedules additional study sessions as necessary. Meeting times and locations may be confirmed through the City Clerk's Office by calling 248.524.3316.

*Online:* The meeting schedule, agendas, minutes and webcasts are available on the City's website: *www.troymi.gov*. Agendas are posted by the Thursday evening before the Monday meeting or as soon thereafter as possible.

At the Library: DVDs of Council meetings are available for checkout at the Troy Library the day following each meeting.



#### WTRY Channel 10/53

Watch Council Meetings LIVE on WTRY
Channel 10 on WOW
Channel 53 on Comcast
Council Meetings replayed:
Wednesdays @ 10 am
Thursdays @ 7 pm
Sat & Sundays @ 4 & 10 pm

### Student Representatives on City Boards



David Guo, Int'l Academy Ethnic Issues Advisory Board



Adrienne Miller, Troy High Planning Commission



Supriya Jalukar, Troy High Troy Youth Council



Ananya Mukundan, Int'i Academy Troy Youth Council



Paul Lee, Troy High Library Board



Sumana Pelle, Troy High Troy Youth Council



Alice Liang, Troy High Troy Daze Committee



Raagini Suresh, Int'l Academy East Committee for Persons with Disabilities

#### Services for Persons with Disabilities

Adaptive Recreation & Sports	248.524.3484
Adaptive Toys & Educational Materials at the	
Library	248.524.3538
ADA Coordinator, Mitch Grusnick	248.524.3354
Friendship Club Newsletter	248.524.3484
Home Chore Program	
Hospital Equipment Loan Closet	248.524.3484
Library Outreach (Home Delivery)	
Meals for Homebound Persons	248.689.0001
Medi-Go Plus Transportation	248.457.1100
Radio for Visually Impaired (on loan), broadcasts	
Detroit Information Service	248.524.3484
Smart Dial-a-Ride	248.362.3436
Video Magnifieruse @ Library/Com	
Video Phone for Persons Using Sign Language	,
at the Community Center	248.524.3484
Wheelchair Sports	

#### **Act Now — Support the Troy Museum!**

Beginning **Tuesday, August 18 at 10 am** the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan, through the Community Foundation Challenge – Arts & Culture, is providing up to \$1 million to match general operating gifts made online at www. cfsem.org to support participating arts and cultural organizations, including **The Troy Museum & Historic Village**. A match of \$1 will be provided for every \$2 contributed. Act quickly on August 18 -- as the race is on!

Matching funds will be awarded on a "first-gift, first-match" basis. The matching program will end as soon as the \$1 million of match funds are gone. With dozens of organizations eligible to participate in this challenge, the matching funds will go quickly! Gifts must be made online by credit card or e-check and can range from \$25 to \$10,000 per contributor, per organization. Only completed gifts will be matched – no pledges.

This is a great opportunity to raise money and awareness for the Troy Museum & Historic Village and we appreciate your help in spreading the word about this important opportunity.

#### **Curbside recyclables**

- All paper is recyclable. Place all fiber items -- including newspapers, inserts, office paper, catalogs, envelopes, junk mail, magazines, paperbacks, brown grocery bags, paperboard (such as cereal, shoe, and tissue boxes or paper towel cores, etc.) -- inside brown paper grocery bags (preferred) or plastic grocery bags
- Put shredded paper in a small clear bag and twist tie it closed
- Cardboard boxes, corrugated cardboard, and boxboard: fold, flatten, or cut into bundles 2' x 2' x 1' and tie with string or use duct tape
- 4. Recycle telephone books
- Clean clear, blue, green and brown glass bottles are accepted. Lids can remain on glass bottles
- 6. All clean plastic containers are acceptable, no need to check for the number on the bottom. Please remove hard plastic caps (i.e. soda caps). Plastic lids, such as yogurt or margarine lids, are acceptable. Plastic includes margarine tubs, yogurt containers, milk jugs, water bottles, detergent bottles, shampoo bottles, plastic tubs, trays, buckets, microwave dishes, plastic flower flats, etc.
- Metal cans/metal lids/pie tins/ small metal objects: clean, place loose metal lids inside metal cans and flatten. Metal objects include hangers, pots, other small household items
- Empty metal aerosol cans (cleansers, hairspray, etc.) and metal paint cans with the lids removed
- Place any household batteries in a clear plastic baggie



# Live in an apartment? You can still recycle

While it does require extra effort, those who live in apartments can use one of Troy's two recycling centers. Make it a regular errand once or twice a month. When you set aside cardboard, newspapers, plastic or glass and keep them out of landfills, you help reduce the negative impact our society has on our environment.

# *Tringali Recycling Drop-off Center* 33373 Dequindre - north of 14 Mile Road 248.585.9120

*Open:* Mon-Fri, 7 am-5 pm Accepts plastics, newspapers, cardboard, tin, and small metal objects.

#### SOCRRA Recycling Drop-off Center

995 Coolidge Hwy., north of 14 Mile Road 248.280.0828

*Open:* Mon-Fri 8 am-4 pm; Sat 8 am-12 pm Materials accepted at the SOCRRA dropoff center include all curbside collected items (listed in the left column) PLUS:

- Plastic bags, only at SOCRRA any size, any color, clean and empty with no twine or hard plastic handles. Example: shopping bags, grocery and produce bags, dry cleaning bags, newspaper bags, etc.
- Automotive and lead acid batteries
- Scrap metal
- Clean used clothing, shoes, and toys
- CDs, DVDs, VHS tapes, and cassettes
- Hardcover books

Note: Any books in good condition can be donated to the Troy Public Library (510 W. Big Beaver).

#### Recycling electronics

**Electronics recycling:** Call SOCRRA at 248.288.5153 to schedule a drop-off appointment.

Program accepts computers, monitors, printers, toner cartridges, TV sets, telephones, radios, cell phones, copy machines, fax machines, stereos, VCRs, and CD players. No charge for Troy residents.

#### Need to dispose of old documents?

SOCRRA has paper shredding available. Bring your personal documents and shred them yourself. Call 248.288.5150 for details.

#### **Yard Waste Collection**

Troy homeowners should put grass clippings, pencil-thin twigs, plantings, sod, old flowers, corn husks, leaves, etc. out on their weekly refuse pickup day. Place them in a regulation trash container with a "yard waste" sticker. If you use a labeled trash can(s), and need stickers, just stop by City Hall (500 West Big Beaver), Public Works, (4693 Rochester) or call 248.524.3399. Brown paper yard waste bags are also acceptable. Never put yard waste in plastic bags.

Residents are encouraged to leave grass clippings on their lawns.

**Branches** less than 2 inches in diameter are yard waste. Cut down larger branches to three ft. lengths, securely tied and bundled, less than 60 lbs. *Maximum five bundles per week collected*.



#### We need Troy residents to recycle.

Avoiding disposal fees is one of the primary goals of any recycling program. The more materials are reduced, reused, and recycled, the less waste there is disposed. The less waste there is disposed, the fewer trash pickups are required, and there are lower disposal fees. Any way to decrease waste handling costs will add to the success of the program.

# Lowering costs for the City of Troy benefits all residents.

SOCRRA credits the City of Troy \$55 per ton for all recycled items picked up at the curb. So instead of paying full disposal costs, our disposal bill is reduced. The City of Troy had over \$242,000 deducted from our bill of \$3.5 million to SOCRRA for 2008. Of this amount, over \$217,000 was for all types of paper and cardboard.

# If you need a recycling bin or further information please call 248.524.3399.

Our Solid Waste Coordinator is available for informational meetings or classes. Tell your homeowner or volunteer organizations to take advantage of this service.

The most efficient and cost effective way for residents of Troy to recycle is to use the curbside recycling program.

# 1. WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT & DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS, NE ½ of SECTION 9

The project has replaced the existing water mains with new 8" and 12" water mains on: Houghten, Wright, Florence, Blanche, Habrand, McKinley, Deinmore and Fabius (west end). Landscape restoration is expected to be complete by August 2009.

#### 2. ASPHALT PAVING - NE 1/4 of SECTION 9

This project will provide an asphalt pavement overlay of the existing pavement impacted by the water main construction project on: Houghten, Wright, Blanche, Habrand and McKinley. Construction will begin after the water main project has been completed in July.

# 3. FLORENCE LOCAL ROAD PAVING, LIVERNOIS to WEST END

This project is a special assessment paving project as petitioned for by the residents along Florence. Drainage will be handled by newly installed storm sewers constructed with the Section 9 water main project. Construction is anticipated to begin in September 2009.

# 4. CROOKS PAVEMENT REHABILITATION, EQUITY TO BIG BEAVER

Crooks Road, from Equity to Big Beaver, under the jurisdiction of the Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC), will be rehabilitated using federal stimulus funds under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA). Work is anticipated to begin in September and be complete in November.

# 5. ROCHESTER ROAD, TORPEY TO BARCLAY and WATTLES ROAD, 1,000' EAST and WEST of ROCHESTER ROAD UTILITY RELOCATION

Overhead and underground private utilities (gas, electric, cable, etc.) have begun relocating their facilities in preparation for the reconstruction and widening of Rochester Road, from Torpey to Barclay and Wattles Road, east and west of Rochester Road. There will be both underground and overhead work taking place through the summer and into early winter 2009/10. The widening and reconstruction of Rochester Road to a six-lane boulevard and Wattles Road to a 4-lane boulevard is anticipated to begin in early 2010.

# 6. LIVERNOIS NORTHBOUND at WATTLES RIGHT TURN LANE

A new right turn lane will be constructed for northbound Livernois to eastbound Wattles. The project will also include traffic signal improvements and sidewalk ramp improvements to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Construction is anticipated to begin in July 2009 and be open to traffic in September 2009.

# 7. LIVERNOIS SOUTHBOUND at BIG BEAVER RIGHT TURN LANE

A new right turn lane will be constructed for southbound Livernois to westbound Big Beaver. The project will also include traffic signal improvements and sidewalk ramp improvements to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Construction is anticipated to begin in September 2009 and be open to traffic in November 2009.

# 8. BIG BEAVER at ROCHESTER PARK and INTERSECTION ENHANCEMENT

This project and number 9 incorporates the key concepts of the Big Beaver Corridor study as adopted by City Council, the Planning Commission and the Downtown Development Authority (DDA). The project will improve pedestrian safety at all intersection crosswalks by upgrading the sidewalks and cross walks to comply with the American's with Disabilities Act (ADA). A new park area with

landscaping, sidewalks and other aesthetic enhancements will be constructed at the northeast corner of the intersection. Road work is anticipated to begin in July 2009.

#### 9. BIG BEAVER at I-75 INTERCHANGE ENHANCEMENT

The project will add significant landscaping in and around the interchange at I-75 and Big Beaver. Enhancements under the I-75 bridge will decrease under bridge noise for pedestrians, enhance day and night time lighting under the bridge, improve aesthetics and enhance pedestrian security and mobility within the Big Beaver business corridor. This project will also improve pedestrian safety at all intersection crosswalks by upgrading the sidewalks and cross walks to comply with the American's with Disabilities Act (ADA). Work is anticipated to begin in the fall of 2009, with project completion anticipated in the spring of 2010.

# 10. HEIDE, THUNDERBIRD and OLIVER WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT

The project will replace the existing water mains with new 16" water mains on: Heide, from Maple to Oliver; Thunderbird, from Maple to Oliver; and Oliver, from Heide to the east end. The existing road on Heide Street will be completely removed and replaced with new concrete pavement. The existing roads on Thurnderbird and Oliver Streets will have partial road removal and concrete replacement with joint and slab repairs. Construction is underway and final project cleanup and restoration will take place during the fall of 2009.

# 11. PARK and COMBERMERE WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT

The project will replace the existing water mains with new 16" water mains on: Park, from Livernois to Combermere and Combermere, from Park to Maple. The existing roads on Park and Combermere will have partial road removal to facilitate the water main construction. These roads will be repaired and an asphalt overlay will be placed over the entire road as the final pavement surface. Troy Court, from Park to the cul-de-sac will have spot concrete slab replacements. Construction is anticipated to start in July of 2009.

# 12. SANITARY SEWER CONSTRUCTION at VARIOUS LOCATIONS

The project will provide for sanitary sewer at the following locations:

- a. Adams Road, south of Square Lake
- b. Adams Road, between Wendover and Newgate
- c. Valley Vista Circle and Court
- d. Crooks Road, Wattles to the north

# 13. CONCRETE SLAB REPLACEMENT and ASPHALT OVERLAYS – INDUSTRIAL ROADS

Concrete slab replacement is a normal maintenance activity that removes and replaces spot sections of concrete pavement. Funds are budgeted to complete slab replacements or asphalt overlays at various locations throughout the City every year. Concrete slab replacement projects are active now through June 2010 at the following locations. The specific schedule is dependent on the contractors schedule and weather conditions.

- a. Investment Drive, Crooks to Long Lake
- b. Wilshire, North of Big Beaver
- c. Wilshire, Crooks to Troy Center
- d. Tower, Crooks to Long Lake
- e. Lakeview, North and South of Big Beaver
- f. Golfview, Coolidge to Big Beaver
- g. Souter, Rankin to Maple
- h. Chicago, Elliott to Maple
- Troy Center, North and South of Big Beaver

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### Construction Projects Map August-November 2009

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# 14. CONCRETE SLAB REPLACEMENT- CITY MAJOR ROADS

Concrete slab replacement is a normal maintenance activity that removes and replaces spot sections of concrete pavement. Concrete slab replacement projects will be active starting in July 2009 and lasting through June 2010 at the following locations.

- a. Rochester, Maple to Stephenson
- b. Rochester, Barclay to Square Lake
- c. Coolidge, Wattles to Long Lake

# 15. CONCRETE SLAB REPLACEMENT - COUNTY MAJOR ROADS

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Funds are allocated for improvements to County roads within the City through a Tri-Party program. The City does not otherwise spend city funds maintaining County roads. The funding allocated for 2009-10 will be used to replace deteriorated concrete pavement on Big Beaver, Dequindre, John R, Crooks, Long Lake and Livernois Roads. The available funding is not sufficient to complete all desired repairs, but will provide for improvements to the condition of these roads. Specific locations will be scattered as this program is aimed at replacing the very worst areas on County roads. Construction will be active starting in July 2009 and lasting through June 2010.

\*NOTE: All dates or time frames are based on the best information available at the time of writing and are subject to change based on field conditions, actual weather conditions and/or funding issues.

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#### **ALARM PERMIT APPLICATION**

Mail to: Troy Police Department-Community Services 500 W. Big Beaver Troy MI 48084

(COMPLETE IF ALARM IS AT A RESIDENTIAL LOCATION)			
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	***CHECK PAYABLE	TO "CITY OF TROY" FOR	\$10 MUST BE ENCLOSED***

#### Register your alarm with the Troy Police Department

All residential and commercial alarm users must renew their alarm registration each year. Alarm registrations expire December 31. Registration is due by January 31. **If your alarm is not registered** and causes an emergency response to a false alarm, you will be assessed a fine of \$100 for each occurrence until the alarm is properly registered.

To register your alarm, complete or update your alarm user permit and pay the registration fee of \$10 for each type of alarm control panel in use. (Typically, a household alarm has only one main control panel.)

Please mail or deliver the completed alarm permit application and check for \$10 (no cash please) made payable to the "City of Troy":

Troy Police Department Community Services Section 500 W. Big Beaver Troy MI 48084

Registered alarms will not be fined for your first two false alarms for the calendar year.

If you would like more information, please call 248.680.7224.

#### **Residential Crime Alert Network**

The Troy Police Department Community Services Section administers the Residential Crime Alert Network. This e-mail network is used to disseminate information to Troy residents on current crime trends and safety issues and give crime prevention tips as they relate to the residents of Troy. We are currently accepting Troy residents that are interested in being added to this network list to receive information.

How to get on the list:

Send an e-mail with your information to *troypdcrimealert@troymi.gov* providing the following...

Name

Address

Phone Number

e-mail Address

Specify if you would like to receive the residential or business alerts. For more information contact the Troy Police Department at 248.524.3464 or 248.680.7224.

#### **General Crime Prevention Tips**

- Always secure your doors and windows.
- Garages and door walls are targets for thieves.
- Always ensure your garage door and pedestrian doors are secured.
- Do not leave garage door remote controls in cars not parked in the garage.
- Use 1-½ dowel rod in the track of all sliding glass windows and doors to help prevent them from opening.
- It has been proven time and time again that the proper use and application of physical security will stop a would be burglar.
- Do not leave anything of value in your vehicle in plain view.
- Always lock your vehicle doors.
- If possible, park your vehicle in your garage. If this is not possible park your vehicle in a well-lit area and lock the doors.
- Never leave a vehicle unattended while running.
- There is a trend of things being stolen from vehicles in the parking lots of fitness centers and fun centers. While going to these places, be extra careful to remove all items of value and secure your vehicle.
- Always keep control of all your property.
- Your belongings are not safe while you are playing sports or at work unless you have them properly locked or are in possession of them.
- Thieves wait for the right time and will take property quickly.
- Unfortunately you cannot always trust co-workers or other business associates.
- Do not rely on others to watch your belongings. If they fail, you will be the victim, not them.
- Always maintain your credit cards and secure the credit card numbers.
- If you suspect that you have been the victim of credit fraud, call your credit card company and have them run a query of your charges.
- Never give your bank account numbers over the phone. Especially if unsolicited!

# Underage Drinking You can prevent it when they're under your influence.

Underage drinking is a serious societal problem. As a parent, you can help shape the behavior and attitude of your children. You can help to protect your child from the dangers of underage drinking. The best way to influence your child is to have a strong, trusting relationship with him or her. Research shows that children ages 10 and 11, whose parents fostered communication, were highly involved, and set clear expectations were more likely to see underage drinking as harmful and were less likely to initiate early alcohol use. When those pre-teens turned 17 and 18, they were also less likely to use alcohol.

#### **Practical Tips for Parents:**

- Teens drink for a number of different reasons be aware of your teen's vulnerabilities.
- The conversation, rules, and consequences have to involve things important to your teen.
- Have meaningful discussions with your kids, you have to be an involved parent.
- Deciding whether you are going to drink alcohol is not a one-time choice for teenagers. Repeat discussions with your teens to reinforce positive decisionmaking.

- Use specific examples of the impact of misusing alcohol.
- Work to have a two-way conversation.
- Adults who host teens drinking in their homes are subject to arrest.

#### Police Officer of the Year for 2008

Officer Melinda Weingart is the 2008 Police Officer of the Year. Since 2003 Officer Weingart has worked in the Patrol/Operations Division and Traffic Safety Unit. Officer Weingart received the Mothers Against Drunk Drivers (MADD) award for excellence in the enforcement of drinking and driving laws for the years 2004-2008. She holds the Police Department's record for yearly Operating While Intoxicated arrests, with a five-year total of 272. During April, 2008, Officer Weingart interrupted two suspects in the process of committing a Larceny from an Automobile and an arrest for Operating While Intoxicated 2nd Offense, in which she confiscated a loaded handgun, marijuana



Officer Melinda Weingart

and open intoxicants. During August, 2008, Officer Weingart resolved a Larceny from an Automobile arrest and an assault investigation that resulted in Aggravated Assault charges on the suspect.

#### Non-Sworn Employee of the year for 2008

Police Service Aide Jessica Morse is the Non-Sworn Police Employee of the year for 2008. Since 2008 Police Service Aide Morse has served as a training officer for the Police Department Communications Section. In 2007, Morse acted calmly and responsibly while fielding telephone calls during a workplace violence shooting incident. On November, 2008 Morses technical and research abilities with the various electronic communication and records management system caused her to identify the address of a heart attack victim who was unable to provide his location. Morse does not limit her efforts simply to major incidents, as demonstrated in a case where she was a driving force in the Communications Section's collection of gifts for families in need during the



PSA Jessica Morse

holiday season. She volunteers her time to assist with Police Memorial Day ceremonies and awards presentations. Many officers that count on Communications Section Personnel for support, report that Police Service Aide Morse goes well beyond what is required each day in making their efforts much more effective.

# **Fire Department Open House**

Sunday, October 4 1-4 pm

# Meet Your Troy Firefighters

Fire Station #1 1019 E. Big Beaver Fire Station #4 2103 E. Maple

Fire Station #2 5600 Livernois

Fire Station #5 6399 John R

Fire Station #3 2400 W. Big Beaver Fire Station #6 5901 Coolidge



#### Firefighter of the Year 2009

Captain Tony Pabian from Fire Station 4 has been selected as Firefighter of the Year for 2009. In his 23 years of service, Tony has served as a Firefighter, Lieutenant

and Captain at Station 4. Tony was also selected as the Station

Member of the Year for Station 4 in 1997 and has received several

awards and letters of commendation. He has represented Station 4

on the Safety Committee and the Firefighters Incentive Committee,

and serves as training officer for his station. In addition to being a



committed and knowledgeable fire officer, Tony has volunteered to attend specialized training classes and then apply the knowledge gained to improve department operations and train other members. Tony is always willing to undertake special projects to improve department operations and capabilities as evidenced by the leadership and effort he has provided to the rescue truck conversion project.

Captain Tony Pabian

#### **Smoke Detector Project a Hit with Troy Schools**

All twelve of the Troy School District Elementary schools participated in the "5th Grade Smoke Detector Project." The students had two weeks to complete the project which consisted of the students checking home smoke detectors for operation and when batteries were last changed in their home as well as neighbors and relatives. They also checked to see if they had a fire escape plan with an outside meeting spot. This project was totally voluntary for the participating students and was not required as homework.

Students were informed that in the United States, we average around 3,000 fire deaths each year. Last year 84% were in residential type properties. Programs similar to this one in both the United States and the United Kingdom have significantly reduced fire fatalities in residential units in both countries. The students collected hundreds of inspection forms over the course of the project.

We offered neither cash nor prizes to the students themselves. The winning school, Leonard Elementary, received an achievement award from the Fire Department and the top-performing classroom in each school received a certificate the teacher can keep. The reward to the students was an opportunity to perform a community service and show pride for their individual school and teacher.



Families and school districts should check their smoke detectors to help save lives. Far too often we hear or read in the news about family members who couldn't get out in time and were killed. Working smoke detectors and an escape plan cannot prevent fires or put them out, but they can give people early warning and a better chance to get out safely. With your help, perhaps the Fire Department can prevent a few of those types of tragic stories.

#### **Home Cooking Safety**

Unattended cooking is still the leading cause of residential structure fires in the United States. Turning down the heat and leaving the kitchen is no guarantee against a fire. The best guarantee is to reduce the likelihood of a fire from starting in the first place. Never set anything combustible on top of a stove. Burners can stay hot for a long time or gas pilot lights can start a fire even when the burner is turned off. Be sure to keep paper towels and other items that could catch fire away from the sides or above the burners.

If a fire starts on your stove, the first thing to do is turn off the heat. Put on an oven mitt and try to cover the burning pot or pan with a lid. Never use water or try to cover the fire with a towel or blanket. Water will spread the fire and a towel or blanket will add fuel to the fire.

Severe burns can also result from normal stove top cooking. Always wear clothing with short or tight fitting sleeves when cooking. Loose or baggy fitting long sleeves, shirts, or bathrobes can result in the garments catching on fire. Be sure to keep the pot handle away from the front of the stove or above adjoining burners to avoid spilling contents accidentally.

Remember also, even if you put the fire out, call 911. The Fire Dept. will respond and check your home to be sure there isn't any hidden fire and to remove any lingering smoke.

#### Blair Bathrobe Recall

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission reported that a full length bathrobe sold by Blair, LLC has been recalled. The robes were sold from the Blair catalogue and from their website. There have been to date six reported fire fatalities to individuals wearing this garment. Blair is requesting that individuals stop wearing the robe immediately and contact them to return the item for replacement or refund. A copy of the USCPSC report and a copy of the return/refund info from Blair, LLC can be found at: www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/ prerel/prhtml09/09241.html.

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# **Fall Healthy Lawn Care Tips**



While most people know that spring and summer are important seasons for taking care of their lawns, did you know that the fall is just as important? Here are a few tips for fall lawn care that will help keep your lawn healthy all year long and will help protect water quality.

#### **Mowing Your Lawn**

Three inches is the rule! Keep your lawn three inches high during the fall. It will help hold moisture in the plant, reduce stress and shade out weeds. You can make your last cut slightly shorter if you expect the grass to grow after the final cut. Avoid dumping grass clippings down storm drains or in waterways. Yard waste that finds its way into waterways can cause significant changes in nutrient levels, leading to poor water quality. Clip 1/3 of the blade and leave your clippings on your lawn. You'll need less fertilizer if you leave clippings on your lawn!

#### **Mulch Your Leaves**

Did you know that leaves can help enrich your lawn's soil? Those colorful leaf "bits" provide much-needed organic matter for your soil. As leaves fall onto your lawn, chip the leaves into smaller pieces by running over them several times with your lawn mower. If you chose not to mulch your leaves, place them in your garden beds as mulch or follow the instructions for leaf collection provided by your municipality. Be sure to keep leaves away from storm drains and out of waterways.

#### <u>Mulch!</u>

If your mulch is a little thin or absent, add more to flower beds and any other areas where grass and weeds are unwanted. Three inches of double-shredded hardwood or shredded leaf mulch will also help to retain soil moisture, prevent soil erosion, and enhance soil quality.

#### **Time to Patch**

Seed or sod bare patches of lawn to prevent soil from washing into our lakes and streams and to keep the soil from becoming compacted. When re-seeding your lawn, loosen the soil in the area with a rake or hoe, apply a thin layer of compost, and then apply the appropriate variety of grass seed and water evenly and regularly. Consider covering the newly seeded spots with straw or another product that will help hold moisture in and protect the seeds from being discovered by wildlife. If you are repairing or replacing large areas of lawn, consider using grass varieties that require less water and fertilizer. Or, consider filling the spot with a native tree, shrub or perennials!

#### **Pest and Weed Problems**

Homeowners that follow healthy lawn care practices will have fewer weed and pest problems. If you must treat for weeds or other pest problems, make sure you know exactly what plant or pest you are trying to eliminate and use a product designed to treat that specific problem. Also, make sure you are treating for the problem during the appropriate time of year. Many insects and fungi are very important to maintaining a healthy lawn.

#### **Cut Back In Spring, Not Fall**

Many perennial plants and ornamental grasses provide vital fall and winter food sources and shelter for native wildlife through the winter. They also provide "visual interest," in your landscape and protect soil from wind erosion. Consider leaving these plants standing instead of cutting them back in the fall. Those that need to be cut to promote new growth can be cut back in the spring.

#### Feed in the Fall

Fall is generally the most important time of the year for applying fertilizers. Be sure to test your soil if you haven't done so recently and use your soil test results to determine proper application rates. Over fertilizing is worse for your lawn and the environment than under fertilizing. If you haven't tested your soil, do it now! Contact your local Cooperative Extension Service office at 888.678.3464.

# **Details on displaying temporary signs**

The Troy Sign Ordinance allows all types of temporary signs on private property. These include signs for homes for sale or rent, vacant land for sale, garage sales, estate sales, buildings under construction, political, holiday, and other seasonal signs.

- 1. Size of Temporary Signs: The maximum size of an individual temporary sign must not exceed 6 sq. ft. in area (measured on one side). The total aggregate area of all temporary signs on any one site must not exceed 14 sq. ft. Temporary signs must not be higher than 42 inches above the ground.
- 2. The signs must be placed on private property, with the property owner's permission.
- 3. Placement is never allowed in the public street right-of-way (City property). In most cases this means that the signs must be located behind the sidewalk. In areas where there is no

- sidewalk, signs cannot be located closer than 20 feet from the edge of the traveled portion of the roadway.
- 4. Signs can never be attached to a streetlight, street sign, fire hydrant or telephone pole.
- 5. Signs that are placed in the public right-of-way (City property) will be removed by the City, and stored for a 48-hour period. If you wish to retrieve a sign from storage that has been removed, you must first pay the \$50 administrative fee for each sign. Signs not retrieved within 48 hours will be destroyed.
- 6. The entire text of the Troy Sign Ordinance can be obtained from the City's website at <a href="http://www.troymi.gov/CodeAndCharter/Code/CH085.pdf">http://www.troymi.gov/CodeAndCharter/Code/CH085.pdf</a>. Please call the Building Department at 248.524.3344 if you have any questions.

248.524.1147



You're invited to attend the Veterans Day Ceremony November 11 at 11 am Veterans Plaza in front of City Hall 500 West Big Beaver

#### **Firefighters Tree Ceremony**

Sunday, August 16, 3 pm Firefighters Park

Everyone is invited to attend the ceremony to honor deceased veteran Troy Firefighters that have served 5 years or more.

#### **Harmonic Club and Lessons**

The Troy Mouth Organ Grinders offer FREE lessons on Mondays, September 14, 2009 - May, 2010 at 9:30 am at the Troy Community Center. Call 248.918.3575 for infomration.

### **MADD**

#### **Detroit Metro – Troy 5K Walk**

Join the team to save more lives and prevent future injuries in our communities. This event is at the Troy Civic Center taking place September 26 at 9:30 am. Register your company or yourself at http://walklikemadd.org and click on "Detroit-Troy" or call Beth Sowulewski at 586.997.6504 or e-mail beth.sowulewski@ madd.org.

#### **Live & Learn in Troy**

Sunday, Sept. 27, 1-5 pm

Begin at the Troy Community Center then visit the Communitywide Open House with more than 300 homes opened by local realtors. Meet City and School District representatives at the Troy Business Expo from 1-3:30 pm at the Troy Community Center. www.liveandlearn.com

#### **Troy Police Honor Guard Spaghetti Dinner**

Wednesday, October 14, Dinner served from 4:30-8:30 pm at the San Marino Club (1685 Big Beaver)

Tickets at event: Adults-\$8; Seniors-\$7; Kids-\$4

Family Advanced Ticket Special: \$20 (for 2 adults and 2 kids) Info and Ticket Orders: Call Sgt. Dan Daniel at 248.524.3556 or Sgt. Jim Clark at 248.524.3462 after Sept. 1.

#### Steppin' Out for Excellence Fun Walk

The Troy Foundation for Educational Excellence (TFEE) invites the community to step out again for Troy students. The annual "Dr. Janet H. Jopke Memorial Fun Walk" on Saturday, October 24 raises funds for Troy student programs supported by TFEE.

The three-mile walk will begin at 10 am at Troy High. Registration is at 9:30 am. Register for \$16 per walker or \$50 per family. Sponsorship opportunities are available for local businesses.

The TFEE is comprised of volunteers who annually raise funds for teacher grants, student organizations and student scholarships. All money raised through the walk will go to support scholarships and classroom grants supported by the Foundation.

For more information and registration materials, please visit www.trov.k12.mi.us/foundation/index.htm

#### **Celebrity Night Dinner**

Thursday, October 29 from 6-9 pm San Marino Club, 1865 E. Big Beaver

The Troy Community Coalition for the Prevention of Drug and Alcohol Abuse presents their 14th Celebrity Night Dinner. The evening includes entertainment by Comedian Buzz Sutherland, dinner, a silent auction, and a raffle. Tickets to the fundraiser are \$125 (\$90 is tax deductible). For tickets call 248.823.5088.

#### Mark your calendar for Craft Shows

Troy Historical Society's 44th Hand & Eye Craft Show at Troy High on Saturday, November 21, 9 am-4 pm, Admission fee is \$3, \$2 for Troy Historical Society Members. All proceeds benefit the Troy Historical Society and Heritage Campaign.

Troy Women's Association Elf Shelf Craft Show at Troy High on Saturday, November 28, 9 am-4 pm, Admission fee is \$3. All proceeds benefit the Troy Women's Association which supports our Troy community. Call 248.988.0426.

Looking for unique handmade holiday gifts? These shows feature more than 280 juried vendors between the two shows, selling a wide variety of items, including jewelry, clothing, glass, painted items, and holiday decorations. In addition, shop from home vendors including Pampered Chef, Mary Kay, Artistry, Close to My Heart, and Longaberger Baskets. There will be raffles, and food and beverages available for purchase.

Calling Crafters: If you would like to be considered for inclusion in the "Hand and Eye" Show, crafter applications are available now on the Historical Society website, www.troyhistory. org. They're due October 1. If you would like to be considered for inclusion in the "Elf Shelf" Show, crafter applications are available now on the TWA website, www.troywomensassociation. org. Hurry! They're due September 1.

> Troy High is at 4777 Northfield Parkway (South of Long Lake, between Crooks and Coolidge)

#### Video Production & Editing Training



Community Media Network (CMN) offers training in video production and editing so you can as real as tv gets produce television that appears on

its Public Access cable channel.

A 10-class series meets once per week for two hours in the evening and uses a hands-on approach to teach the use of cameras, lighting, and audio equipment. Students partake in all of the production crew positions typically found in a studio production. Class graduates may then use the CMN equipment and facilities FREE OF CHARGE to create programs for local public access television.

A four-class series explores the exciting world of computerbased video editing using Final Cut Express software on Apple iMacs. Learn how to piece together a video project using various effects, music, graphics and techniques often seen on commercial TV and film.

Classes repeat throughout the year; cost for each series is \$75. Materials provided; space is limited. Troy residents or individuals from nonprofits that serve Troy may enroll by calling CMN at 248.589.7778. 1230 Souter Dr. www.cmntv.org